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FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE RTG PROTEST NOTE RE CAMBODIAN
ATTACKS ON THAI VILLAGES WHICH WAS CIRCULATED TO EMBASSIES
IN BANGKOK. WE ASSUME THAI MISSION WILL CIRCULATE THIS OR
SIMILAR TEXT AT U.N.

BEGIN TEXT: THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THAILAND
PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF
THE DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA AND HAS THE HONOUR TO INFORM THE
LATTER OF THE FOLLOWING:-

1. ON 28 JANUARY 1977 AT APPROXIMATELY 2200 HOURS, ABOUT
300 ARMED CAMBODIAN SOLDIERS ENTERED THAI TERRITORY AND
ATTACKED THE VILLAGES OF BAAN NONG DOR (TA 376159), BAAN
KLONG KOR (T 393167) AND BAAN NOI PARAI (TJ 403164) WHICH ARE
SITUATED INSIDE THAI TERRITORY.

2. THE CAMBODIAN FORCES, EMPLOYING WEAPONS OF DEADLY
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DESTRUCTION, RAIDED THE THREE VILLAGES WITHOUT WARNING IN
THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. THE DEGREE OF UNPRECEDENTED SAVAGERY
DISPLAYED BY THE ATTACKING CAMBODIAN FORCES ON THE UNARMED
THAI VILLAGES WAS A GREAT SHOCK TO ALL THOSE WHO WITNESSED THE
SCENE AFTER THE ATTACK. PRELIMINARY SURVEYS OF THE CASUAL-
TIES AND DAMAGES SUSTAINED ARE AS FOLLOWS:-

- AT BAAN NONG DOR, 21 THAI RESIDENTS WERE KILLED INCLUDING A PREGNANT WOMAN, CHILDREN AND BABIES WHO WERE BADLY MUTILATED; ALL THE HOUSES WERE BURNT DOWN.

- AT BAAN KLONG KOR, 8 THAI RESIDENTS WERE KILLED AND ALL HOUSES BURNT DOWN.

- AT BAAN NOI PARAI, ALL 200 RESIDENTS WERE FORCED TO ABANDON THEIR HOMES AND A LARGE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WERE SERIOUSLY WOUNDED.

3. THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND WISHES TO LODGE A STRONG PROTEST WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA FOR THE ABOVE-MENTIONED BRUTAL ACTS OF SAVAGERY WHICH CONSTITUTE A FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF THAI NATIONAL SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY AS WELL AS BEING IN CONTRAVENTION OF THE THAI-KAMPUCHEA JOINT COMMUNIQUE OF 31 OCTOBER 1975 TO WHICH THAILAND GIVES STRICT ADHERENCE. THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND REGARDS THE INCIDENT AS INHUMAN AND IN SERIOUS BREACH OF CIVILIZED INTERNATIONAL LAW AND MORALITY.

4. ACCORDINGLY, THE GOVERNMENT OF THAILAND DEMANDS THAT THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC KAMPUCHEA ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE INCIDENT AND, HAVING REGARD TO JUSTICE AND THE CONTINUING GOOD RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES, TO MAKE A PROMPT AND JUST COMPENSATION FOR THE LOSS OF LIFE AND DAMAGE TO PROPERTY INCURRED AS A RESULT OF THE INCIDENT UNDER REFERENCE. END TEXT.
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